

## TO BE SIGNED TO-DAY

**SCALE OF WAGES FOR INDIANA BITUMINOUS COAL FIELD.**

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**TELLS OF HIS ENTRY INTO THE GAMBLING FRATERNITY.**

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**TERRE HAUTE, Ind., March 28.**—The joint committee of the Indiana miners and operators was in session until midnight, and when it adjourned both miners and operators said the contract surely would be signed to-morrow. The committee practically reached an agreement, but the provisions will have to be passed on by the full conference.

Most of to-day was spent in wrangling. The joint committee last night adjourned to meet this afternoon, the morning to be occupied by the miners in a secret convention to hear the report of their representatives on the joint committee. But the miners got into a heated discussion which carried them into the afternoon. Most of the delegates to the convention are under strong instructions from their local lodges to stand firm for certain things and naturally they feel that the committee should not yield a point.

The hitch to-day, which seems now to have been a positive source, is the clause of the wages contract. The most serious disagreement between operators and miners is over the "check-off," which means the stipulation in the contract that the operator shall collect the dues and assessments for the United Mine Workers. Another clause on which there has been disagreement is the demand of the men for the privilege of working in the open market. The third was over a misunderstanding of the minimum thickness of a vein of coal which would be considered fixed at the Indianapolis conference—30 cents a ton—shall apply. The men wanted three feet three inches as the minimum. A resolution was adopted, but afterward it was discovered that miners and operators did not understand it alike. It provides for an additional price for mining veins of less thickness.

## In Fear of the Machine.

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**HARTFORD CITY, Ind., March 28.**—Window glass blowers of this city are beginning to consider the blowing machine problem in a serious way since it has been learned from a positive source that the trust is installing one in its plant at Alexandria. To them it is a matter of much concern. The machine is a powerful organization of the national organization of window glass blowers, and it is a powerful and wealthy organization a serious clash may be the result.

## Wages Voluntarily Increased.

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**LAFORTE, Ind., March 28.**—The Niles & Scott Company, manufacturers of metal wheels for agricultural implements, has announced a voluntary increase of 3 per cent. in the wages of employees in certain departments of its plant.

## MILL BURNS AT NEWPORT.

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**NEWPORT, Ind., March 28.**—The Newport corn mill, located at this place, and owned by the Newport Milling Company, which A. H. Norky, of Indianapolis, was the principal stockholder, caught fire at 5 o'clock this morning and burned to the ground in less than an hour. The fire caught in the third story from the drivers. The loss on building and machinery is \$25,000, partially covered by insurance. There were 1500 bushels of shelled corn in the mill, worth at least \$10,000, on which there was a partial insurance.

It is said the mill will be rebuilt. The mill had a large export trade, which necessitated running day and night in all orders. A representative of the Montezuma Mill Company, who was in this city last night, said the loss by the burning of the Newport mill was \$50,000, well protected by insurance. The company owned several mill properties owned and operated by the company, and it was run exclusively in the interest of the company, meal and grits, for which the company has large contracts. The company had arranged to convert the mill into a flour mill, which is several times the capacity of the one burned, into a similar mill, and thereby the company would be temporarily embarrassed in filling its contracts.

## JUMPED HIS RAIL.

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**George Brooks, Accused of Assault with Intent to Kill.**

VINCENNES, Ind., March 28.—George Brooks jumped his bail here this afternoon just before his trial in the mayor's court on the charge of assault and battery with intent to kill Atwell Jackson, and it is believed he is now in St. Francis, Ill. In January Brooks disgraced Red Jackson with a razor at a tobacco slide near here. Twenty-two young women, employees of the Novelty works, who he was to take the nomination for treasurer without contest on condition that he did not fight for the mayoralty nomination against Denney.

## Small Fine for Assault.

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**SULLIVAN, Ind., March 28.**—The jury in the case of W. B. Pig, held on a charge of assault with intent to kill, returned a verdict of guilty of assault and battery, and assessed a fine of \$10.

## MUNICIPAL POLITICS.

**Democrats of Portland and Elwood Nominate Their Tickets.**

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.  
**PORTLAND, Ind., March 28.**—The Democrats of the city have nominated the following ticket: Mayor, Jacob F. Denney; clerk, Ed. Jellison; treasurer, Peter Mellinger; marshal, Thomas Fleming. Mellinger was at first out for mayor, but a compromise was reached, which he was to take the nomination for treasurer without contest on condition that he did not fight for the mayoralty nomination against Denney.

**ELWOOD, Ind., March 28.**—The Democrats of the city held their nominating convention last night and nominated the following ticket: Mayor, W. C. Smith, defeated F. M. Harsh, incumbent, who was also a candidate; treasurer, William A. Hupp; judge, W. G. Zerface; clerk, Charles M. Johnson; coronator, William Lee. This is the fourth municipal ticket in the field, and the campaign promises to be the hottest in the history of Elwood.

## Campbell Will Not Withdraw.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.  
**ANDERSON, Ind., March 28.**—The friends in this city of Wallace B. Campbell, ex-president of the Indiana State Editorial Association, do not give any credence to

the announcement in an Indianapolis morning paper to the effect that the vote of some county was withheld by Wallace B. Campbell, of Summerville, in this county. The report also stated that Mr. Campbell would quite likely withdraw before the date of the joint senatorial convention of the counties of Madison, Hamilton, Boone and Grant, of the Indiana State Editorial Association, of the vote of this county would be practically sold for the Summerville man. Campbell's friends state that he is a very able and shrewd man, and has a splendid showing of strength among the delegates.

## Fulton County Democrats.

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**ROCHESTER, Ind., March 28.**—The Democrats of Fulton county met in delegate convention yesterday afternoon and nominated the following ticket: For clerk, John Hines, auditor, Fred H. Cornelius; treasurer, John Hines; sheriff, Stella Bailey; surveyor, Aaron Kline; recorder, Andrew J. Carr; coronator, John Q. Howell; commissioner, John Hines. There were a great many candidates for the various places, but as those who were nominated were the only ones to come out winners the less favored are sullenly avowing intentions to "get even."

## Fractional Vote for Miers.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.  
**SHOALS, Ind., March 28.**—The Democrats in township mass conventions to-day selected delegates for the congressional convention as follows: Six and two-fifths votes for Davis, four-fifths of a vote for Miers, and four-fifths of a vote for Wellman.

## INDIANA OBITUARY.

**Dr. R. P. Davis, Former Grand Master of Indiana Odd Fellows.**

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.  
**PORTLAND, Ind., March 28.**—Dr. Robert P. Davis, grand master of the Odd Fellows of Indiana until compelled to relinquish his duties some time ago by the illness of his wife, died at his home here this evening. He had been an invalid for many months. He was childless.

Davis was born in Lancaster county, Ohio, on Nov. 12, 1836, and came to Indiana with his parents when he was four years old. He was a member of the Grand Lodge of the Eighty-fourth Indiana, was four years county auditor and had held many positions of honor in the Odd Fellows. He was expected to be present.

## Died in the Philippines.

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**FORT WAYNE, Ind., March 28.**—Mrs. Mary Gable, of No. 40 Madison street, reported the death of her son, John Gable, grandson, Claude Gable, a private in Company C, Seventh United States Infantry, stationed at Samar, Philippine islands. The death occurred last December, but from what cause the doctor would not say. The young soldier was but twenty years old.

## Husband and Wife Dead.

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**ROCHESTER, Ind., March 28.**—John Bushart, who lived at Germany, eight miles west of this place, died yesterday of septicaemia, aged about sixty-two. Mrs. Bushart had been quite unwell for several days, and she died at 12:30 o'clock last night, just twelve hours after the death of her husband.

## Other Deaths in the State.

**BLOOMINGTON, Ind., March 28.**—Newton Allen, one of the best known young business men of the city, died of pneumonia at his home at thirty-five North Main street, at a slightly advanced age. He had been in ill health for some time, but it was not known that his condition was so serious until he died. He was a member of the American can rule the window glass market. The national organization of window glass blowers, and it is a powerful and wealthy organization a serious clash may be the result.

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**LAFAYETTE, Ind., March 28.**—James A. Thompson, one of the oldest miners of the State, died at his home at this place. He was ninety-five years of age and served in the civil war as a member of Company E, Forty-third Indiana Infantry. He was admitted to the home from Clark county in the year 1860.

**GOSHEN, Ind., March 28.**—Mrs. Amos Peck, whose husband was killed by a Lake Shore train a short distance east of Goshen, died at her home at this place. She had been ill since her husband's death.

**WHITESTOWN, Ind., March 28.**—Melancthon L. Miller, a prominent and well-to-do farmer northeast of this place, died at his home at this place. He was fifty years old and was a native of North Carolina.

**RICHMOND, Ind., March 28.**—Sarah J. McCoy, a pioneer resident, died to-day of paralysis. She was born in Butler county, Ohio, and came to this place with her husband, George, and W. C. McCoy.

**EVANSVILLE, March 28.**—Mrs. Elizabeth Polz died at her home at this place. She was one of the early pioneers of the county.

**SULLIVAN, Ind., March 28.**—Luke Lucas, aged sixty-two, a liveryman, expired on the street here to-day of general debility. He was a brother of B. R. Lucas, of Bedford.

**DECATUR, Ind., March 28.**—Miss Mattie Wilder, a well-known young woman of this city, died at her home at this place. She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Wilder, at Monmouth.

**NASHVILLE, Ind., March 28.**—Charles Gibson, an old citizen and one of the organizers of this town, died at his home to-day of Bright's disease.

## SULLIVAN COUNTY NOTES.

**Figure in Connection with the Manson U. Johnson Case.**

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.  
**SULLIVAN, Ind., March 28.**—Manson U. Johnson, of Anderson, Ind., a school supply dealer, who is missing from that city and who, it is alleged, has forged county warrants, has probably accomplished some of his work in this county. Ed P. Snow, trustee of Cass township, purchased a heating apparatus of his firm. Recently a note for \$50 was sent to the Farmers' State Bank here for collection, and another for the same amount followed. They were payable to Johnson. Mr. Snow declares they are forgeries and refuses payment. He has been informed that another note for \$50 is still out.

## Forgeries Amount to \$4,000.

The forgeries by Manson U. Johnson of the names of township trustees of Marion county will, it is thought, amount to \$4,000 more. The forgeries were realized upon and others when presented were cashed and returned. The names of Trustees Samuel Kissel, H. J. Brown, L. W. George, Samuel Beaver, Thomas Womell and Mr. McCall have been forged to warrants calling for several hundred dollars each.

The forgeries are said to have been rough imitations of the signatures on warrants sent to Johnson in payment of school supplies. Johnson is said to have been issued in payment for heaters purchased by the trustees.

## Did Not Operate in Wayne.

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**RICHMOND, Ind., March 28.**—The report that Manson U. Johnson, of Anderson, the alleged forger, operated in Richmond

proves to be erroneous. He frequently visited this city and was well known here, but neither in the gas works nor in the police nor county superintendent had had any dealings with him.

## Warrant for Johnson's Arrest.

**TIPTON, Ind., March 28.**—A warrant for the arrest of Manson U. Johnson was sworn out to-day by the Tipton County Bank, and the officers at Hot Springs, Ark., have been wired to arrest Johnson and send him for the arrival of the sheriff. It was stated to-day that Johnson's alleged forgeries will aggregate more than \$100,000.

## Johnson Not Arrested.

**HOT SPRINGS, Ark., March 28.**—No arrest has been made here of Manson U. Johnson, alleged to be wanted in Indiana on forged checks.

## DISAPPOINTMENT IN LOVE

**Causes a Young Woman of Peru to Drown Herself.**

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**PERU, Ind., March 28.**—Miss Marie Freeland, a very attractive girl, aged twenty-eight, who had been engaged to be married, and her body was found to-day. It is supposed to have been caused by disappointment in a love affair. The young woman was a daughter of Fred Freeland, of LaPorte, who came to-day to take the body home.

She had been living here for several years with her sisters, one unmarried, the other being Mrs. Charles Daniels. She left a note under the door, telling where her body would be found, and asking to be buried in black.

## PROSECUTION HAS RESTED.

**Defense Presents Evidence in the R. C. Davis Gambling Suit.**

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**VINCENNES, Ind., March 28.**—After having Davis on the stand for two days the prosecution rested to-day and the defense's testimony was begun in the suit of Richard C. Davis to recover \$7500 from Addie Dillard, lost to the latter in gambling.

Davis rehearsed the circumstances of his first entrance into the gambling fraternity, and his testimony seemed to indicate that he was being continually fleeced by the "profession."

## Wakarusa School Case Ruling.

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**GOSHEN, Ind., March 28.**—Judge J. D. Ferrall, of the Elkhart Circuit Court, announced this morning that he would hold the appointment of the Wakarusa School Board illegal, but would not enter his ruling upon the records until the end of the present March term of court.

The school board appointed Nov. 4 last by the town board of trustees of Wakarusa and which caused the school to be closed, because of the dissatisfaction of the citizens of the town over the trustee's employment of a teacher, was dissolved.

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## More Weavers Quit Work.

**FITCHBURG, Mass., March 28.**—The entire force of weavers in the Fitchburg worsted mills and the Beal mills of the American Woolen Company struck to-day

Macbeth-Evans Glass Company, which has been idle for several months on account of a strike in the gas works system in this city. The second week in April. For some weeks a force of men has been at work putting in the new system of gas pipes, and they gave very satisfactory service when tested. A part of the men at the works returned to work to-day, and others who are scattered at points over the State, are expected to return soon.

## May Have Frozen to Death.

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**CLAY CITY, Ind., March 28.**—Amos Miller, who went to North Dakota just before the recent blizzard there, is reported missing. His father, residing here, received a letter from friends in Dakota stating that Amos, in company with his partner, went to a small town about five miles distant to do some painting a day or so before the blizzard, and that he had failed to locate the men and that it was feared they were lost and had frozen to death.

## Funeral of Mrs. Shepherd.

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**REDEK, Ind., March 28.**—The body of Mrs. Maggie Shepherd, who died yesterday as the result of wounds inflicted by her husband, Charles Shepherd, last Monday, was taken to the funeral home to-day. It was viewed by hundreds of curious citizens, to the Catholic Church, where the funeral was held to-day afternoon, and later was laid to rest in Hill Crest Cemetery, just west of the city. A large crowd was present at the funeral.

## Versatile Decatur Genius.

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**DECATUR, Ind., March 28.**—Ed Vilgus, the son of a United Dakota miner at Oslan, and who has been on trial here charged with soliciting subscriptions to Eastern magazines and keeping the money, has been a lawyer, a barber and a stenographer, in all of which he has been successful. He has served two terms in the penitentiary and is still under thirty years of age.

## More Smallpox at Logansport.

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**LOGANSPORT, Ind., March 28.**—Scurdly had the Logansport Board of Health succeeded in stamping out smallpox and allowed the late victims, John Lockwood and his wife, to depart for home at 11:30 a. m. to-day, when another case was discovered to-night and fourteen persons were quarantined in a lodging house. Anna Kartman, who until taken sick was a waitress in a restaurant, is the victim.

## Muncie Elks Elect Officers.

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**MUNCIE, Ind., March 28.**—Muncie Lodge of Elks has elected the following officers: Exalted ruler, Charles Grafton; esteemed leading knight, James Thomas; loyal knight, E. G. Clarke; lecturing knight, J. Milton Gray; secretary, W. L. Holmes; trustee, E. G. Clarke; and delegate to the national meeting, Everett Moffett.

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## Fire Opposite Dawson.

**SEATTLE, Wash., March 28.**—A special from Dawson says that a fire which started in the steamboat dock opposite this city has burned about \$7,000 damage and is still burning. It has been caused by Yukon river boats for winter quarters. The steamers Glenora and Mona, belonging to J. E. Egan, of Dawson, were burned. The pieces of property already

## BREWERY STRIKE OVER

**TROUBLE IN CINCINNATI, COVINGTON AND NEWPORT ENDED.**

**All Members of the Union for Whom Work Can Be Provided Will Be Taken Back.**

## STRIKES AND STRIKE RUMORS

**WORKMEN IN SEVERAL INDUSTRIES THREATENING TROUBLE.**

**Miners, Textile Operatives, Furnace Workers Seeking Higher Wages or Fewer Hours of Labor.**

**CINCINNATI, March 28.**—The Brewers' Exchange of this city to-day telegraphed President Samuel Gompers of the American Federation of Labor at Chicago, as follows: "The press here interprets your decision on the controversy between engineers and firemen and brewery workers as sustaining the charge of conspiracy between the brewers of this city and engineers and firemen. This impression may prove a serious obstacle to amicable settlement between proprietors and brewery workers, now in progress, as it casts disgraceful imputation on the proprietors. Believing this interpretation of your decision is totally incorrect, we request you, in the interest of all parties, to wire us immediately whether it is so or not. We desire your authority to publish your answer."

President Gompers replied as follows: "I am not responsible for improper interpretation of my opinion. Having omitted any reference to conspiracy therein, an inference of conspiracy is unwarranted. In the interest of all parties I urge you to make an amicable adjustment with the Brewery Workers' Union."

Following the receipt of the telegram from Mr. Gompers, the brewers late this afternoon held a meeting and arranged to take back all such men as could be placed, but that the lockout in Cincinnati, Covington and Newport is practically over. Of the 1,200 men locked out all are provided for except about 150, who will remain unemployed, most of them being of a class the brewers will not take back. Others of them have